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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, DCI Security Committee

FROM:

CIA Member, DCI Security Committee

SUBJECT: Draft Revision of DCID 1/19

1. This memorandum is in reference to the draft revision of DCID 1/19 dated 14 January. This draft was handed out to principal members for comment at the 20 January SECOM meeting.

2. The definition of Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) on page 6, lines 23 - 25 and page 7, lines 26 and 27; side-steps its purpose by defining compartmentation by use of the term compartmentation. I would amend this effort by striking from page 7, lines 26 - 27 the clause "for which community systems of compartmentation have been or will be formally established." A "period" should be placed after the word "products" on line 26. The following sentence should be inserted on line 26, "These special Community controls are formal systems of restricted access established and managed by the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) to protect the sensitive aspects of sources, methods and analytical procedures of foreign intelligence programs."

3. I find paragraph 29, page 30 of the draft to be flawed. Lines 46 through 49, correctly state what SCI accountability and control procedures should be in the light of experience. On page 31, however, lines 2 through 4, citing the current wording from DCID 1/19, dated 6 June 1978 in the draft's subparagraph (1); namely, that records of all incoming SCI material are to be kept only for the preceding six-month period, in effect negates accountability for SCI material held longer than six months.

4. In order to have a system of accountability sufficient to provide for the security of SCI disseminated, received or retained and to assist in the investigation of compromises of SCI documents, subparagraph (1), page 31 needs amending. On lines 3 and 4 the phrase, "received within the preceding six-month period" should be stricken. The clause, "for a period of at least six months after a document has been destroyed" should be substituted.

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5. I understand from the CIA representative to the Compartmentation Subcommittee of SECOM that representatives of the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the services insisted on the draft's language, contending that a record of SCI documents for a period longer than six months would place a severe drain on their manpower resources. The system for recording incoming SCI in the draft proposal is in reality no system. It represents a step backward in Community efforts to protect against unauthorized disclosures through meaningful investigations.

6. I fully support the CIA member to the Compartmentation Subcommittee position as footnoted on page 31 of the draft.



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